

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Tangirala et al.

Group Art Unit: 2616

**Serial No.: 10/743,858**

Examiner: Ryman, Daniel J.

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For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR FINE GRAIN BANDWIDTH ALLOCATION  
IN A SWITCHED NETWORK ELEMENT

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**AMENDMENT B**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated January 22, 2008 for which a shortened statutory period for reply has been extended up to and including May 22, 2008. A petition for a 1-month Extension of Time is attached hereto. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.